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1. During the week beginning 9 February 1947, General Helge Jung, Commander-in-Chief of the Swedish Armed forces called a conference of top ranking officers of the Army, Navy, and Air Force. All but two colonels ranked as generals. General Jung himself addressed the group.
2. Sweden's strategic position in the light of the present international situation was outlined. Mention was made of Sweden's strategic position in relation to the USSR, and how this had changed since Russia had become an important world power. Russia was mentioned as Sweden's great neighbor to the east, and the assumption was made that Finland is now virtually included in Russia's borders.
3. General Jung explained that the change in relations with the USSR had been the result almost entirely of the far-reaching Russo-Swedish Trade Agreement, and added that the most satisfactory political relations with Russia had been attained.
4. The real object of the conference was apparent when the general stated quite bluntly that the military picture vis-a-vis the Soviet Union has undergone a complete change due to the effects of the economic and political agreements entered into by the two countries.
5. General Jung then became very emphatic and issued the following verbal orders to the officers present:
 - a) All propaganda and talk against the Soviet Union must be abolished by the Officer Corps and considerable effort must be made by the Senior Officers to indoctrinate the younger officers along the new line.
 - b) A conscious effort should be made to disseminate propaganda favorable to the new relationship with Russia.
 - c) In conclusion, General Jung reiterated that all officers are forbidden to speak against the Soviet Union, in official capacity or otherwise.

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